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TAGS: PTER, PGOV, PE  
SUBJECT: PRIVATE MEETING BETWEEN PRESIDENT BELAUNDE, SENATOR  
TRIBLE AND AMBASSADOR

## 1. C ENTIRE TEXT

2. DURING DISCUSSION JULY 20 WITH SENATOR TRIBLE AND  
AMBASSADOR PRESIDENT BELAUNDE MADE THE FOLLOWING POINTS:  
-- THE GOVERNMENT WAS PLANNING TO SEND THE ARMY INTO THE  
ALTA HUALLAGA "TO CLEAN IT UP." HE THOUGHT THAT IT WOULD  
TAKE A MONTH, AND THAT IT REQUIRED THE ARMY AS IT WAS "TOO  
BIG A JOB FOR THE POLICE."  
-- HE WAS PLANNING TO CREATE THE "ANDEAN GUARD" WHICH  
WAS TO BE LOCATED NEAR AYACUCHO CITY BUT IN A NEARBY  
FRIENDLY TOWN. THE ANDEAN GUARD WAS TO BE SIMILAR TO THE  
SINCHIS, BUT DESIGNED TO DEAL WITH PROBLEMS IN THE SIERRA.  
THE NEW NAME HAD THE ADDED ADVANTAGE OF REMOVING THE HEAVY  
BAGGAGE OF CONTROVERSY ASSOCIATED WITH THE SINCHIS WHICH  
IT HAD PICKED UP OVER SEVERAL YEARS OF FIGHTING TERRORISTS.  
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